

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

TROY T. SHERMAN, JR.,

Petitioner,

v.

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA,

Respondent.

No. 1:25-cv-00158-SKO (HC)

ORDER TRANSFERRING CASE TO THE
SACRAMENTO DIVISION OF THE UNITED
STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

On January 29, 2025, Petitioner filed a habeas corpus action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 in the Northern District of California. Because the district court determined that venue is proper in the Eastern District, the petition was transferred and received in this Court.

The federal venue statute requires that a civil action, other than one based on diversity jurisdiction, be brought only in “(1) a judicial district where any defendant resides, if all defendants reside in the same state, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of the property that is the subject of the action is situated, or (3) a judicial district in which any defendant may be found, if there is no district in which the action may otherwise be brought.” 28 U.S.C. §1391(b).

Here, Petitioner is challenging his conviction from Placer County, which is in the Sacramento Division of the Eastern District of California. Venue is therefore proper in the

1 Sacramento Division, and the petition should have been filed there. In the interest of justice, a
2 federal court may transfer a case filed in the wrong district to the correct district. See 28 U.S.C. §
3 1406(a); Starnes v. McGuire, 512 F.2d 918, 932 (D.C. Cir. 1974).

4 Accordingly, the Court ORDERS that this matter is transferred to the Sacramento
5 Division of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California.

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7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

8 Dated: **February 10, 2025**

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE